

A BLOODY EVENT IN GEORGIA

Escaped Negro Kills One and Wounds Four Pursuers---Lynching and Burning Follows.

Soperton, Ga., Special.—Two negroes lynched and a posse in pursuit of the wife of one of the victims; the killing of a prominent planter, a member of the posse; the probable fatal injury of the sheriff of Montgomery county and the wounding of four other members of the posse summarizes the result of one of the most exciting man-hunts this section has ever known.

Ben Clark, an escaped convict from the Bibb county chain-gang, was shot to death after a fierce battle early Friday morning and his body burned. The negro threatened to kill Nicholas Adams, a merchant of Kibbe, "and a hundred others."

John Sweeney, who harbored the ex-convict, was taken from a passenger train a mile from Tarrytown Friday night and lynched.

The posse then set out in search of Sweeney's wife, who, it is said, was in the neighborhood. Intense excitement prevails throughout this section.

PEONAGE CHARGES AGAINST STEEL CAR COMPANY.

Pittsburg, Special.—The first testimony offered in the federal government investigation into the charges of peonage against officials of the Pressed Steel Car company in Schenectady, where 3,500 employees are on strike, in which it was alleged, force was used to compel imported workmen to work, developed late Thursday. The Pressed Steel Car company's attorney attempted to hold the man who testified that he was made to work against his will, but this was prevented by the Austro-Hungarian consul attorney and the assistant federal district attorney.

All testimony was taken Thursday in the form of affidavits. From the first dozen witnesses called, little information upon which to base peonage charges was elicited, the witnesses for the greater part declaring that their food had been bad and their treatment rough, but citing no definite persons as being responsible.

Alexander Friedman, a Hungarian of New York, was the witness who made the sensational charges of the day. He said he was brought here 15 days ago with 100 other men from New York and alleges they were brought under false impressions. He said the workmen were given to understand there was no strike at the works of the Pressed Steel Car company. He said he was in the plant before he learned of the strike, Friedman said the workmen guards then took him before company officials and asserted the officials said they should compel him to work in the kitchen. This they succeeded in doing, according to the witness, who was also told that his pay for the hours' enforced work would be his supper.

Friedman did not claim he had been forced to stay inside of the car plant, but stated he could point out men who had been compelled to remain at work against their wills. United States District Attorney Jordan refused to comment on the disclosures, but it is now said by those in a position to know that suit in peonage charges will more than likely be filed against minor officials of the car plant within the next ten days.

He actually covered an extra ten kilometers and remained in the air ten minutes after 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon, the hour that the timekeepers, under the rules, ceased to keep a record of the flight.

Although Farman's brilliant record as an aeroplanist should have warned

GULF STORM DOES DAMAGE; PEOPLE BARELY ESCAPE

Brownsville, Tex., Special.—After spending the night at the quarantine station at Tarpon beach, refugees brought to the mainland Friday by the life-saving crew from Brazos de Santiago, tell of damage to the Pedro and Brazos islands as a result of the gulf storm, which swept inland Thursday night. At Tarpon beach

COLORED KNIGHTS AVERT RIOT WITH DRAWN SWORDS

Kansas City, Mo., Special.—Swinging their swords above the heads of the belligerents, and declaring that unless the trouble ceased they would use them, a company of negro Knights of Pythias Friday prevented what promised to be a race riot during a parade of the Supreme Lodge of the Knights of Pythias. The trouble began when W. S. Jarboe, a laundryman, accompanied by his wife, wove through the parade of 5,000 negro Knights, at Twelfth and Central streets. Several negroes

STEAMER OHIO SINKS WITH FIVE MEMBERS OF CREW

Seattle, Wash., Special.—Five lives were lost in the sinking of the Alaska Steamship Company's steamer Ohio off Steep Point, Alaska, early Friday. There were 128 passengers aboard, but all these escaped, the victims being employees. The loss of the steamer and the cargo is total. The drowned are Purser F. J. Stephens, of Seattle; Wireless Operator, George E. Eccles, of Winnipeg; two seamen and the quartermaster, whose

James Durden, a prominent planter and member of the posse which captured Clark, was shot and instantly killed. The other members of the posse who were shot by Clark were: Sheriff James Lester, Walter Simmons and three others unknown. The officer received an ugly wound in the breast.

The posse found Clark by going into Sweeney's house. Sweeney's wife was at home, but Sweeney was absent. The sheriff called on Clark to surrender. For answer he received a 44-calibre bullet fired from a rapid-fire gun.

Durden was shot and other members of the posse fell before the torrent of lead dealt by the negro. He continued to fire until his ammunition was exhausted. He was then overpowered and his body riddled with bullets. He wore a steel breast-plate that turned Winchester bullets. A pile of logs was covered with crude turpentine and the body cremated.

Sweeney was caught near here Friday afternoon. He was carried aboard a northbound train to a secluded wood near Tarrytown, where his body was riddled with bullets after being swung to a sapling.

NEW WORLD'S RECORD

Time and Speed Records in Aerial Navigation Lowered.

Rheims, France, By Cable.—A marvelous prolonged flight of 30 kilometres (18 1-2 miles) in a 20-knot breeze by Paulham and the establishment of a new world's record for 10 kilometres at the rate of 46 miles an hour by Bleriot, were the features of the aerial race meeting Tuesday.

Owing to the high winds there probably would have been no flights except for the visit in the afternoon of President Fallieres and his Cabinet. The President was accompanied also by distinguished officers of the French and British armies. His presence stimulated the sky pilots, and a dozen machines were brought out on the field, but a majority of them were unable to battle against the winds.

Young Bunau-Varilla, however, with his machine plunging like a ship on a stormy sea, managed to navigate the turbulent air currents for one round.

Paulham, who already had won a reputation for courage and endurance, began his thrilling flight. He made his first two rounds at an altitude of 250 feet, but ascending in front of the tribunes as he entered the third circuit he reached a height of between 400 and 500 feet. The spectators gazed aloft in admiration, mingled with horror, for as they watched, the biplane struck what seemed a dangerous angle. The machine swayed in the wind but each time righted itself.

Paulham completed his exploit with a wonderful exhibition of maneuvering. His achievement has made him the unrivaled hero of the meeting. Bleriot's record-making lap was accomplished with his 80 horse-power machine at a low level. He made the circuit of 6 1-5 miles in 8 minutes, 4 2-5 seconds. The best previous record was made Monday by Glenn H. Curtiss, the American aviator, 8 minutes, 35 2-6 seconds.

Truce in Strike District. Pittsburg, Special.—Gloom covered the little manufacturing village of McKee's Rocks like a pall. Long funeral processions, pitiful in their attempt at proper decorum, wended their way at queer hours from the Greek Catholic church to St. Mary's Cemetery, a small burying plot just outside Schenectady. Strikers and their families crowded in the van of these funeral trains, dressed in their finery and bearing an air of deep grief. One band of eight musicians furnished the tunes to which the strikers tramped in dust and grime to pay their respects to the men they look upon as martyrs to a now lost cause.

The finding, late Tuesday of three more bodies of terribly beaten strike sympathizers was also horrifying in its ghastliness, for troopers detailed to the work of searching for dead and wounded, made little effort to spare the feelings of the men who gathered about them when the bodies, two under a pile of railroad ties, and one under a culvert on the tracks of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie Railroad were pulled into sight. The corpses, hardly recognizable as those of human beings, were hastily piled into a morgue wagon and turned over to the county officials.

With the burial of the dead strikers and the finding of the additional bodies, came a truce in hostilities. From dawn to nightfall not a pistol shot was heard; neither was an arrest made.

Sultan Treats Prisoners Barbarously. Tangier, By Cable.—By the Sultan's special order, according to advices from Fez, the prisoners captured at the defeat of El Roghi have been barbarously treated. The Sultan first personally questioned them and then had them taken in procession to the gate of the Babelhamis, where every prisoner had his right hand severed and the stump plunged into boiling pitch.

Excursion Steamer Sinks.

Montevideo, Uruguay, Special.—In a driving rainstorm about 6 o'clock Tuesday morning the Argentine excursion steamer Colombia and the North German Lloyd steamer Schlesien collided at the entrance of Montevideo harbor. The Colombia was entering port, and the Schlesien was outward bound for Bremen. The Colombia's bow was crushed in and she sank almost immediately. Between 150 and 200 persons were killed or drowned. The Colombia carried about 200 passengers and a crew of 48 men. Most of the passengers were asleep and panic followed the crash.

Shoots at Everybody He Meets.

Monroe, La., Special.—Angered because two of his friends had been shot by police officers, William S. Wade, a negro Tuesday ran amuck on the streets of Monroe with a double-barreled shotgun, shooting first at every white man he saw and then firing indiscriminately at every object before him, finally fell dead with a bullet through his heart; 29 men, three of them members of his own race was seriously injured.

PALMETTO HAPPENINGS

News Notes of General Interest From All Parts of the State.

Dispensary Accounts Must Be Approved.

According to a notice Dispensary Auditor West sent to county dispensary boards those boards in counties making payments for whiskey or dividing profits or paying out anything except for strictly current expenses are liable to get in trouble. These accounts must first be approved by Mr. West.

The notice reads: "Gentlemen: This is to give you notice that under section 2 of an act of the general assembly, 1909, providing for the closing of the several dispensaries in those counties voting against sale, that no claims are to be paid by you until same have been audited, approved and ordered paid by the State dispensary auditor. This of course, does not include nor prevent the payment of the current expenses incident to closing up the business, but does include such items as may be due the whiskey houses with which you do business, any unpaid profits and amounts that you may owe banks on notes for borrowed money. It is expected that all county dispensary boards will adhere strictly to the provisions of this act, and any violation of same will be reported promptly for the reason that it would in all probability give rise to complications and furnish ground for suits and litigations."

Protest in Georgetown. Georgetown, Special.—Protest was entered Wednesday against the dispensary election for this county by Walter Hazard, Esq., acting as attorney for the Law and Order league, while the opposite side was represented by Messrs. Wilcox & Wilcox of Florence.

The point upon which the protest was entered was that in certain precincts of the county people were allowed to vote on tax executions, contrary to the State constitution, which provides that in order for a person to be a qualified elector, his poll tax receipt must be dated six months previous to any election or satisfactory evidence given that the poll tax had been paid six months previous to any election. It is alleged by the Law and Order league that persons were allowed to vote on their tax executions, which were paid only a few days previous to the election, which, under the constitution, disqualified them as electors. However, the hearing was held in the court house, and it was decided that the contestants against the election did not establish sufficient evidence to maintain their contention. It is said that the contest will be appealed.

House With a Past in Ashes in Bamberg. Bamberg, Special.—Fire early Monday morning destroyed a small wooden structure which has long been an eye sore to the people of this community. The building was a survivor of the days when the town was first built. Mr. J. B. Brickle was a heavy loser in the fire, he having had the place rented as a general repair shop for guns, automobiles and bicycles. His insurance was only \$200, while his loss is between \$800 and \$1,000. The little shop which was destroyed had a long and checkered career. Within its walls have been conducted all kinds of trades; and during the time which it stood there it is said that at least 10 men and boys have met death accidentally and otherwise. Some even place the number as high as 13. In addition to these deaths it has been the scene of numerous fights and quarrels.

Jealous Man Kills Bride. Spartanburg, Special.—Mrs. Boefer, 15 years, wife of J. R. Boefer, a farmer of Fairmont, this county, at noon Saturday was shot and killed by Joe Bates, employed by the city as chain-gang guard. The shooting occurred at the residence of W. P. Cox, on Thompson street, a relative of the husband of the deceased. Bates had employed the woman as a house-keeper and was cruel to her but it is believed that her leaving him angered him.

Dispensaries Reopen. Columbia, Special.—The dispensaries opened throughout the State Saturday afternoon following the action of the State board of canvassers which passed on the returns of the election in the 21 dispensary counties. Aiken, Florence and Beaufort counties remain closed until protests from these counties can be determined.

Seizing "Fine Whiskey." Charleston, Special.—The police raiding was active late Thursday afternoon, confiscating more contraband stuff and vying with the constables in amount of liquor seized. The total seizures as given out by Chief Boyle amounted for the day to 60 quarts of fine grade whiskey. Chief Boyle said that the strict watch that he has been maintaining on the wharves and railroad yards has resulted in the contraband people using the express company and he will from this time on give special attention to the liquors which may come into Charleston in this way.

Money Paid Out to Weak Schools. Columbia, Special.—Since the first of the month State Superintendent of Education Swearingen has paid out over \$6,000 to the weak schools of the State making application for the fund appropriated by the legislature for that purpose. Approximately \$7,000 was paid during the spring. The legislature appropriated \$20,000 for aid to the weak schools of the State and there is only about \$5,000 of this left for distribution.

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Roland Steele Shot by Mart Williams While Trying to Escape.

Rock Hill, Special.—Roland Steele, a negro with several other aliases, who was sent to the chain-gang from this place for larceny, was shot at the stockade, two miles south of this city Saturday morning by Mart Williams, another convict, and his chances are pretty slim for getting well, so the attending physician states. Steele had been on the sick list and was left under the care of Williams, who is the cook for the gang. Steele got loose and made a dash for liberty. Williams grabbed a shotgun loaded with buckshot and called on Steele to stop, which he refused to do, and Williams fired.

Eight Ears on Corn Stock. Chester, Special.—Mr. John L. Miller, one of the leading farmers of the Wellbridge neighborhood, had a stalk of corn in the city Saturday from a patch that he is growing according to Knapp's co-operative demonstration methods, and with which he hopes to win the prize offered by Commissioner E. J. Watson for the best ear of corn grown by a South Carolina farmer. The stalk contained eight ears and was one that was blown down by the heavy wind and rain of a few days ago. There are a number of stalks in the patch that have eight ears, and one at least that is laden down with ten ears. The stalks range all the way from two ears to eight and ten ears, all of the ears being well developed, with promise of making fine corn. Some of those who have seen this acre of corn think that Mr. Miller will easily make 100 bushels, and some think that he will make much more. The yield of fodder from the patch, which has been cultivated strictly according to the Williamson method, was 532 bundles.

The Thirsty Make Merry. Columbia, Special.—After the long and aggravating thirst of a month the Morally Stunted made high carnival with dispensary liquor Saturday afternoon and night. The result was a full docket of drunks before the Columbia recorder for Monday, some thirty-five in number, who drunken negroes dead at the hands of police officers, a liveryman named Lucas seriously cut by his brother-in-law across the Congaree in Brookland town, and a cigar box full of greenbacks in the hands of the chief as bail money incident to Saturday night's operations.

Paying for Protection. Charleston, Special.—Chief Constable Bateman and his force added Thursday 81 gallons of whiskey to the seizures of this week, aggregating about 300 gallons in four days. About 50 gallons were taken at the foot of Grove street, where the liquor had probably not long before been landed from a boat on the Ashley river, and the rest of the haul was taken in case goods from the office of the Southern Express company. With the seizures which the police department has made, as stated the blind tigers have been hit a hard blow this week.

Robs Store in Daylight. Pinewood, Special.—A bold robbery was committed here Wednesday when a negro went into Mrs. E. Barwick's store while she was at dinner and took \$11 out of her cash drawer. The store was wide open and Mrs. Barwick's clerk was standing on sidewalk in front of store when the deed was committed.

Tragic Death of Wm. M. Chandler. As told in the press dispatches, Mr. William M. Chandler, of South Carolina, editor of the Panama Press met with a tragic death in Panama Wednesday. He was killed by Gen. H. O. Jeffries, who figured prominently in the Panamanian revolution.

The dispatches say that he was killed on account of a publication which is alleged to have reflected upon a sister-in-law of Jeffries. He was knocked down and stunned by the use of the butt of a revolver, and was then kicked violently.

New Cotton at Leesville. Leesville, Special.—The first bale of this season's cotton was ginned here Wednesday by the Leesville oil mill ginney for Mr. T. E. Risinger, a planter on the Fredonia farms, which is owned by that progressive and persevering agriculturist, Dr. D. M. Crosson. It was bought by Matthews & Bonknight company, of this place, and the price paid was 12 1-2 cents per pound. The bale weighed 583 pounds and classed good middling.

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